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| 1. | Statement | | |
| • | Novelty (N) | Claims 1-10 | YES |
| | | Claims | NO |
| | Inventive step (IS) | Claims 1-10 | YES |
| | | Claims | ИО |
| | Industrial applicability (IA) | Claims 1-10 | YES |
| | | Claims | ИО |

2 Citations and explanations (Rule 70.7)

Claims 1-10 meet the criteria set forth in PCT Article 33(2)-(4) for novelty, inventive step and industrial applicability.

The prior art published before the priority date does not disclose all the features defined in claim land hence claim as defined is considered to be novel. Because claims 2-10 are appended to claim 1, they are also considered to be novel.